

In the Specification

Page 1, before the first paragraph, insert the following:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is the National Stage filing under 35 U.S.C. 371 of International Application No. PCT/EP 2004/002916, filed March 19, 2004, and claims priority of German Patent Application 103 12 787.9, filed March 21, 2003.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 54, change the paragraph beginning at line 29 to read as follows:

If the intermediate variable $F\mu_{Plaus}$ has again a value which corresponds to a slippery underlying surface while the vehicle is traveling the distance corresponding to the first distance value, a second distance value which is greater than the first distance value is assigned to the odometer. The second ~~odometer~~ distance value is of the order of magnitude of 1000 meters. This ensures that if the intermediate variable $F\mu_{Plaus}$ again assumes the value which represents an underlying surface with good grip, the vehicle must travel for a longer distance before the friction coefficient value $F\mu$ is assigned again the value which represents an underlying surface with good grip.